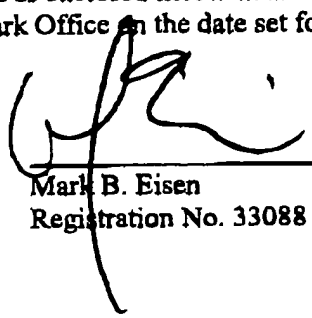


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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action
Dated: May 20, 2002

Dear Sir:

REMARKS

The applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 citing Khalfan (U.S. Patent No. 6,335,501).

As quoted in the Detailed Action, 35 U.S.C. 102 states that a person shall be entitled to a patent unless the invention was described in a patent "granted on an application for patent by another". The reference cited by the Examiner was issued on an application for patent filed by Zaheer Khalfan, who is the same Zaheer Khalfan named as inventor in the present patent application.